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ATTN: Dustin Jayroe

We are in receipt of your Arkansas Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated April 17, 2019. You have requested "basic information on all cases (open and closed) of missing American Indian/Alaska Native persons (including juveniles) within Arkansas, from 2000 through 2019; this basic information can include but is not limited to: person name, age, DOB, incident date, case closure date, county/jurisdiction in which person was reported missing."

Your correspondence states that this request is a follow up to a FOIA request submitted on April 13, 2019. Please be advised that this office has no record of receiving that request.

It appears, additionally, that neither you nor the organization with which you are affiliated is a citizen of Arkansas. As such, you are not entitled to inspect and copy public records pursuant to the FOIA. Ark. Code Ann. § 25-19-105(a)(1)(A) ("[A]ll public records shall be open to inspection and copying *by any citizen of the State of Arkansas* during the regular business hours of the custodian of the records." (Emphasis added). Cf. *McBurney v. Young*, 569 U.S. 221, 133 S.Ct. 1709 (2013).

More importantly, please be advised that the Office of Attorney General is not the custodian of the records you seek and does not keep any records that would be responsive to your request.

Your request is therefore respectfully denied.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie Benafield".

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